OPINION 1326 CIMEX QUADRIPUNCTATUS FABRICIUS, 1794 (INSECTA, HEMIPTERA, HETEROPTERA): CONSERVED

RULING.—(1) Under the plenary powers, the specific name quadripunctatus Villers, 1789, as published in the binomen Cimex quadripunctatus, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of both the Principle of Priority and the Principle of Homonymy.

(2) The specific name quadripunctatus Fabricius, 1794, as published in the binomen Lygaeus quadripunctatus, is hereby placed on the Official

List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2976.

(3) The specific name quadripunctatus Villers, 1789, as published in the binomen Cimex quadripunctatus, and as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1152.

HISTORY OF THE CASE Z.N.(S.)2148

An application for the use of plenary powers to make the specific name quadripunctatus Villers, 1789, nomenclaturally valid, was first received from Dr I. M. Kerzhner (Zoological Institute, Leningrad) on 18 September 1975. After some correspondence a revised draft was sent to the printers on 24 March 1981 and published in Bull. zool. Nom., vol. 34, pp. 288–291. Public notice of the possible use of plenary powers was given in the same part of the Bulletin as well as to the statutory serials and nine entomological serials. Comment was received from Professor L. B. Holthuis which was published, together with a reply from Dr Kerzhner containing modified proposals for the suppression of quadripunctatus Villers, 1789, in Bull. zool. Nom., vol. 39, pp. 163–163. No other comments were received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 13 September 1984 the members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (1984)56 for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nom.* vol. 39, p. 163. At the close of the voting period on 13 December 1984 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative Votes — eighteen (18) received in the following order: Melville, Holthuis, Cocks, Hahn, Brinck, Mroczkowski, Willink, Trjapitzin, Uéno, Starobogatov, Alvarado, Ride, Corliss, Schuster, Bayer, Heppell, Dupuis, Sabrosky

Negative Votes — two (2) received in the following order: Kraus, Binder.

Lehtinen was on leave of absence. No votes were returned by Bernardi, Cogger, Halvorsen and Savage.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for the names placed on an Official List and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion: quadripunctatus, Cimex, Villers, 1789, Linn. Entomol, p. 535 quadripunctatus, Lygaeus, Fabricius, 1794, Entomol. Syst., vol. 4, p. 172.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (84)56 were cast as set out above, that the proposals contained in that voting paper have been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 1326.

R. V. MELVILLE Secretary International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature London 13 February 1985